



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Stephen A. Factor Application No.: 10/623,686 Filed: July 21, 2003 <b>Title:</b> SIMULTANEOUS REDUCTION IN NOX AND CARBON IN ASH FROM USING MANGANESE IN COAL BURNERS Attorney Docket No.: EI-7597	Group Art Unit: 1714 Examiner: Cephia D. Toomer
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Commissioner of Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to the Office Action mailed June 7, 2006.

**In the claims:**

Please amend claims 1, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 18-21.